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## Constitutionality of Labor Relations Act Is Upheld by Court

The long-awaited decision of the United States Supreme Court on the constitutionality of the Wagner Labor Relations Act was handed down on Monday last in a series of five important cases in which the act was upheld. The effect of the decisions is declared to broaden the interpretation of the Constitution's interstate commerce clause.

The court was unanimous in but one of these cases, that holding that the act applied to interstate bus transportation. On all the other cases the vote was the traditional five to four.

The act was held valid as applied to the steel industry, in a test involving the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company; the automobile industry, in a test involving the Freuhauf Trailer Company, largest trailer maker in the country; the clothing industry, in a test involving the Friedman-Harry Marks Clothing Company of Richmond, Va.; press associations, in a test involving the Associated Press, and interstate bus transportation, in a test involving the Washington, Virginia and Maryland Coach Company.

### Authority of Congress

In the steel case opinion, most important of the five, Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes said on behalf of the majority:

"The congressional authority to protect interstate commerce from burdens and obstructions is not limited to transactions which can be deemed to be an essential part of a 'flow' of interstate or foreign commerce."

Quoting from the Wagner act to show that it "goes no farther than to safeguard the right of employees to self-organization and to select representatives of their own choosing," Hughes added:

"This is a fundamental right. Employees have as clear a right to organize and select their representatives for lawful purposes as the respondent has to organize his business and select its own officers and agents. Discrimination and coercion to prevent the free exercise of the right of employees to self-organization and representation is a proper subject for condemnation by competent legislative authority."

### The Usual Dissenters

The four dissenting justices were George Sutherland, James Clark McReynolds, Willis Van Devanter and Pierce Butler. Sutherland read the minority opinion in the Associated Press case, which held the act should have been declared unconstitutional as applied to press associations on the ground that it violated the first amendment to the constitution guaranteeing freedom of the press. McReynolds spoke for the minority in the other three dissents.

### Ends Company Unions, Says Green

William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, hailed the court's decisions as "a triumphant achievement" for the A. F. of L. Recalling that the Federation fought hard for enactments of the Labor Relations Law, Green said: "Labor will now be free to organize without fear of discrimination and persecution. A new impetus will be given the organized labor movement. It means the end of company unions."

John L. Lewis declared that the "instability" of the Supreme Court requires enactment of Presi-

dent Roosevelt's reorganization bill. He said: "The Court is as variable as the wind, and the people wonder how long they are to be the victims of its instability. Obviously the situation needs change. The President's court plan is the immediate answer."

### Strikes No Longer Necessary

J. Warren Madden, chairman of the National Labor Relations Board, commented at a press conference: "If employers will comply in the spirit of the decisions it will not be necessary to have any more strikes to establish recognition of the right to collective bargaining."

### PREVAILING WAGE ON STATE WORK

The Assembly of the California Legislature has passed an amendment to the public works act providing for payment of the prevailing wage scale on work fabricated in shops and mills for use on public works projects.

### Teachers' Tenure Law Repeal Defeated in Assembly Committee

An effort to abolish teacher tenure in California was beaten last week in the Assembly Education Committee of the State Legislature.

A bill proposing repeal of the tenure system was tabled over objection of school superintendents and trustees of San Joaquin Valley who said they were unable to discharge undesirable teachers because of the law.

### Warehousemen's Union Secures Agreement With Spalding Firm

Successful termination of collective bargaining negotiations between the Spalding Sales Corporation and I. L. A. 38-44, the Warehousemen's Union, was announced this week.

An agreement provides recognition of the union as the bargaining agent of the company's employees, minimum wage scales from 62½ to 70 cents an hour, time and a half for overtime, and a forty-four-hour week. Seniority rules are also provided.

The contract, effective to May 1, 1939, was signed by Warren Denton, president of the union, and W. B. Gerould, assistant treasurer of the company.

### Los Angeles Primary

According to the Los Angeles "Citizen" labor did not fare well in the primary election held in that city on April 6 last for the selection of candidates for mayor, controller, city attorney, fifteen councilmen, four members of the Board of Education, eight judges of the Municipal Court, and for amendments to the city charter. Labor made a number of indorsements, but not for mayor.

Mayor Shaw, who led the poll for that office, will be pitted in the coming election against Supervisor Anton Ford.

Labor candidates who were successful included the controller, five councilmanic candidates, two for the Board of Education, who must be in the finals, and two for municipal judge, one of whom will be in the run-off.

John F. Dalton, president of Typographical Union No. 174, who was a candidate for re-election to the Board of Education, of which he is president, led the field in that division, but will have to contest in the run-off with seven others, as the eight highest will be in the race.

## Organization Campaign Of A. F. of L. Brings Surprising Results

American Federation of Labor international and national unions are gaining thousands of new members, new internationals and nationals are rapidly being organized, and directly affiliated unions are increasing their strength and winning better wage and working conditions, in a nationwide organization campaign.

These gains were revealed in a statement by Frank Morrison, secretary of the A. F. of L., in telling International Labor News Service of the successful organization activities of the Federation and its affiliated unions since July 1, 1933, and especially since September 1, 1936.

In response to questions by an I. L. N. S. reporter, Secretary Morrison said:

### Nearly Four Million Members

"The A. F. of L. membership, paid and reported for March, 1937, is 3,731,460, which shows an increase of 1,604,664 over the membership for the year ending August 31, 1933.

"The affiliated unions, including the local trade and federal labor unions, and not including the ten national and international unions that stand automatically suspended since September 5, 1936, show an increase since September 1, 1936, of 308,967 paid and reported members over the average membership for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1936.

"The sentiment for organization is running high and we have been receiving and issuing during the past four months a greater number of charters than has been received since June, 1934.

"The local unions directly affiliated with the A. F. of L. are securing increases in wages and more satisfactory working conditions.

"In 1936 charters were issued to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and the American Newspaper Guild.

### Good Work Since September Last

"Since September, 1936, charters have been issued to the International Ladies' Handbag, Pocketbook and Novelty Workers' Union, with 10,000 members, with their headquarters in New York City; the International Association of Cleaning and Dye House Workers, with a potential membership of many thousands, with their headquarters at Cleveland, Ohio; and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, with their headquarters at Madison, Wis.

"We have seven national and international unions in the making. They will be formed from local unions directly affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, namely: Cement Workers, Aluminum Workers, Filling Station Employees, Agricultural and Fruit Workers, Flour, Feed and Cereal Workers, Optical Workers and Distillery Workers.

"Each of these seven groups has a national council, with a chairman, and they meet at intervals to discuss matters affecting the membership of the local unions of each group."

### STEEL ORGANIZATION

The Committee for Industrial Organization announces in Pittsburgh that it has gained recognition from forty-six steel companies and is negotiating with eighteen more.



## Mooney Appeal Hearing Before Supreme Court

Final arguments on the exceptions taken by the defense to the findings of Referee A. E. Shaw in the habeas corpus petition of Thomas Mooney, convicted of the Preparedness Day bombing, were being heard in the California Supreme Court this week.

Mooney himself was present for the first time in the hearing of arguments before the high tribunal.

Justice Emmet Seawell presided in place of Chief Justice William H. Waste, ill, and Appellate Judge John T. Nourse filled in to complete the bench of seven en banc.

Argument on the 14,000 pages of testimony will take several days.

Assistant Attorneys General William F. Cleary and Emory Mitchell are opposing Mooney's petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Attorney George T. Davis is presenting the argument for Mooney.

### Court's Description of Witness

Davis focused his attack on the testimony of the four "eye-witnesses," John MacDonald, Oxman and Mellie and Sadie Edeau. Referring to MacDonald, Davis quoted from a majority opinion of the Supreme Court in 1930, as follows:

"A more abject spectacle of debased, degenerate manhood was never before presented to any body of judicial or quasi-judicial investigators."

Attorney Davis told the court he would show that his client, Tom Mooney, was being continuously shadowed at the time of the 1916 Preparedness Day bombing because of his activities in organizing United Railway employees, but that no detective agency reports ever were produced in court to show where he was on that fatal day.

The present hearing is on findings of Referee A. E. Shaw, appointed by the Supreme Court to take testimony on the petition of Mooney counsel for a writ of habeas corpus. Shaw's findings were

adverse to Mooney, and the latter's counsel attacked the entire findings as "improper, erroneous, ridiculous and indefensible."

### Pardon Resolution in Congress

Meanwhile efforts continue to secure a pardon for Mooney. Failing of success in the California Legislature, the matter is now before the United States Congress, where Representative McConnell of Montana has introduced a joint resolution urging the governor of California to grant a full and complete pardon for Mooney, and urging President Roosevelt to "intervene with the governor of the State of California, requesting said governor of California to grant to Thomas J. Mooney a full and complete pardon, following the action of President Woodrow Wilson, who used his high office to right this universally recognized miscarriage of justice."

### TO INTEREST UNDERGRADUATES

A campaign to stimulate a greater interest in the theater among the undergraduates of America was launched in New York this week with the formation of a National Collegiate Advisory Committee to the W.P.A. Federal Theater Project, according to an announcement by William W. Hinckley, chairman of the American Youth Congress.

## Rand and Bergoff Are Linked in Federal Grand Jury Indictments

James H. Rand Jr., president of the Remington Rand Corporation, and Pearl L. Bergoff, head of the "Bergoff Industrial Service" of New York, were indicted this week, at New Haven, Conn., on charges of transporting strikebreakers across state lines in violation of a federal statute. A federal grand jury returned a true bill after deliberating less than ten minutes. No date for trial was set.

The indictment is the latest development in the eleven-months' strike in Remington Rand plants located in several cities in the East and during which a most determined and aggressive fight has been made by the union workers, facing vicious and apparently ruthless methods.

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## Nation-Wide Meetings To Support President

With practically every large city "in the picture," Labor's Non-partisan League has announced that plans are almost complete to the last detail for the nation-wide Patriot's Day demonstration April 19 in support of the President's plan for reform of the Supreme Court and the federal court system.

Major George L. Berry, president of the League, announced that the response of labor generally to the League's call indicates a solid and fighting support for the President.

In addition to the major meetings arranged for, League headquarters in Washington is informed that in many states plans have been worked out for community meetings on a state-wide scale.

There will be a coast-to-coast broadcast from Washington and from Washington also League President Berry will address each of the major mass meetings by means of telephone connections direct to the public address system in each hall.

"I am delighted with the response to the call for meetings," said Major Berry. "Labor is going to show its determination to carry out its pledge to 'walk with the President' through his term of office. Labor is not giving any mere lip service. It is in the battle lines to fight for the President's program. We face a tremendous and critical issue and the President must win. This great outpouring on April 19 will be for the single purpose of helping him to win. It will show where the American workers stand."

## Plans of Committee Now Complete For Newspaper Guild's "Frolic"

Two more personalities were added to the galaxy of stars who will appear at the "Front Page Frolic" May 1 in Scottish Rite auditorium, David R. Young, chairman, announced as plans for the event were complete.

Ernie Smith, sports commentator, and Griff Williams, band leader at the Hotel Mark Hopkins, complete the roster. Smith will be master of ceremonies and Williams will appear with other outstanding band leaders in special numbers.

Other entertainers on the program, sponsored by the Northern California Newspaper Guild, include Paul Pendarvis, Ran Wilde, Tom Gerun, Val Valente and Herman Waldman. Meanwhile newspaper men reported sales of tickets increasing daily.

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## Public Policy Expressed in Wagner Act

**T**HE Wagner National Labor Relations Act, on which the Supreme Court ruled last Monday, states this public policy:

"Employees shall have the right to self-organization, to form, join or assist labor organizations, to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing, and to engage in concerted activity for the purpose of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection."

The act also states that it shall be an unfair labor practice for an employer to interfere with, restrain or coerce employees in the exercise of the rights guaranteed in the declaration of policy, to dominate or interfere with the formation or administration of any labor organization or contribute financial or other support to it; by discrimination in regard to hire or tenure of employment or any term or condition of employment to encourage or discourage membership in any labor organization; to discharge or otherwise discriminate against an employee because he has filed charges or given testimony under the act or to refuse to bargain collectively with the representative of his employees.

The act also sets up a labor relations board of three members to enforce the act's provisions and to conduct elections among employees when a dispute arises as to which of two or more labor organizations represent a majority of the employees for collective bargaining. It also provides that the majority unit shall speak for all employees in collective bargaining.

## C.I.O. Agrees to Injunction

Confronted by court proceedings, Local Union No. 276 of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, affiliated with the Committee for Industrial Organization, consented to the issuance of a permanent injunction restraining it from claiming to have any sanction from the American Federation of Labor. Local No. 276 has been attempting to enroll engineers, apprentices and firemen in the building and general construction fields in New York, trade and territorial jurisdiction of which is under local unions of the International Union of Operating Engineers, an A. F. of L. union.

The formal injunction order, signed by Supreme Court Justice Bernard L. Shientag after he had been informed by attorneys for the opposing groups that there was no opposition from the defendants, stipulates that it "shall not be deemed to be an adjudication concerning any acts of the defendant."

The injunction order specifically restrains Local 276 from claiming to have an A. F. of L. charter entitling it to enroll building engineers and operating engineers and to supply contractors with union men qualified in this field.

John Possehl, president of the Operating Engineers' International, had charged in his application for the injunction that the C.I.O. group was causing great confusion in the building trade, weakening his organization and competing with it for members and jobs by falsely contending that it was duly chartered by the A. F. of L. to operate in the engineering field.

## Menu Card Label Campaign

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## WATCH FOR THIS BIRD

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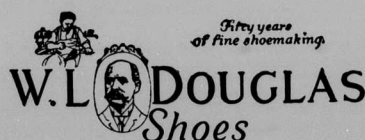
## Theater Project Will Present

### 'Swing Parade' and 'Emperor Jones'

The San Francisco Federal Theater Project presents two major openings in downtown theaters this week.

"Swing Parade," a musical show so lavishly set as to approach extravaganza proportions, with new music, twenty scenes, a beauty ensemble, lots of comedy, directed by Max Dill, opens Thursday night at the Alcazar, and "The Emperor Jones" by Eugene O'Neill, one of America's foremost playwrights, will be presented at the Columbia with Ralph Chesse's marionettes and Chesse himself interpreting the title role, make up the huge program of the moment.

With the closing on April 24 of "The Emperor Jones" a repertoire of plays will be booked for road showing.



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## Wagner Act and Ford

News reporters on the day after the Supreme Court had validated the Wagner Labor Relations Act asked Henry Ford his opinion on the decisions. He said:

"We have had the spirit of the Wagner Act in effect for twenty years. I would be ashamed to have anyone tell me conditions and pay are wrong. That part of the job was started twenty years ago. I haven't given the Wagner bill a thought.

"We have it in effect here. The men can talk to the bosses if necessary and they can talk to me."

To a question of whether he would confer with a union committee on demands or grievances, he replied: "Ask me that when the time comes."

"Is there any possibility that some day you may sit across a table from John Lewis as Walter P. Chrysler and William S. Knudsen did?" an interviewer asked. There was a quizzical smile, but no reply. His employees were "free to join anything they want to," he said. "They have always been free to join any church, any lodge or any union they want to.

"A good mechanic and a skilled workman don't need a union. I will put nothing in the way of anyone joining a union or any other organization but I advise them it's foolish to have anything to do with them.

"It never got anyone anything and never will. I don't know anything that could be asked that they haven't already got."

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## Toronto Labor Leads the Way

The warring factions of the American Federation of Labor and the Committee for Industrial Organization in Toronto, Canada, have set an example which the unions in the United States may well follow. The incident reveals that the differences between the two groups are trivial at best.

Aroused by the edict of Ontario's Premier Hepburn, who bluntly refused to negotiate with General Motors strikers while Hugh Thompson, Canadian organizer for the C. I. O., was present, the representatives of the latter organization met with the Toronto Trades and Labor Council, an A. F. of L. affiliate, to discuss the situation.

At the conclusion of the meeting the spokesman for the central body issued the following statement:

"Canadian organized labor is united in the international labor movement and proposes to remain so, despite attempts of labor's opponents to create dissension in its ranks.

"The meeting dealt also with the action of Premier Hepburn in refusing to meet the chosen representatives of the Oshawa workers. The executives of the Toronto Trades Council repudiate this action of Mr. Hepburn and challenge his right as premier of the province to dictate to the workers of this province their choice of representatives.

"The action of Mr. Hepburn in refusing to meet Mr. Thompson, and his later statement to the press that the Ontario government will not meet chosen representatives of workers, is regarded by these executives as a challenge to organized labor."

The common basis of agreement between the two factions of American labor, it was learned after the council meeting, was Canadian labor's distaste of Premier Hepburn's action in calling out troops to patrol Oshawa and Walkerville. Strikers at General Motor plants in the two cities number 4200.

Premier Hepburn also issued a statement which added fuel to the flame. It read as follows:

"I am taking this attitude because I will have nothing to do with a paid agitator from a foreign country who is a member of an organization whose acts in the United States have brought that country to the greatest state of unrest it has known in years. From this position I will not budge."

For many years the industrialists and capitalists of Canada have endeavored to separate Canadian unions from their affiliations with American labor through the international unions. In some instances the unions succumbed to the pressure, while in others the organizations have steadfastly retained their membership in the Internationals.

What a wonderful thing it would be if this incident should not only result in solidifying the alli-

ance between the unions in the United States with those of Canada, but in showing the folly of the quarrel between the C. I. O. and the A. F. of L. at a time when united action is imperative to the progress of the labor movement!

## Court Says Wagner Act Is Valid

"Once the legal right of workmen to organize is established, labor wars will disappear," said Dr. William Morris Leiserson, chairman of the National Railway Mediation Board, in an address before the Commonwealth Club last Saturday.

"Once the legal right of workmen to organize is established, labor wars disappear," said Dr. Leiserson, who has had wide experience as chairman of arbitration boards for the clothing industry and since 1934 has been chairman of the mediation board.

"If owners recognized that right, all of these sit-down strikes and most of the others would not occur. Sit-down strikers are only asking for what is set up in the railway labor act. All they ask is that they be granted recognition and a conference with employers."

The Wagner Labor Relations Act, modeled in part after the Railway Labor Act, has now received the approval of the United States Supreme Court. Time will tell if the predictions of Dr. Leiserson are well founded. However, as the Railway Act has worked efficiently in employer and employee relations, it is fair to presume that the Wagner Act will also accomplish what it was intended to do.

The next thing to do is to see that the law be enforced.

## Henry Ford and the Unions

The C. I. O. may not know it—though up to date it has not overlooked any important bets—but the possibilities of trouble in unionizing the Ford part of the motor industry are greater than those met in dealing with Chrysler, or General Motors, or even with United States Steel.

Possibilities of trouble; not assurances of it; for the only thing certain about the matter is its total uncertainty. Like so many decisions of the Supreme Court, what the Ford Motor Company will do in any crisis depends on the whim of one man.

Henry Ford is 74 years old. He is a millionaire several hundred times over. He was twice offered a billion dollars for his plant; and, though competition is much keener in the motor field now than then, the Ford business, taken together, is worth probably not so much less than a billion now. What scores of millions he has piled up outside the business no outsider can guess.

Ford has made the greatest manufacturing success in the history of industry; and he has made that success quite largely with disregard of the wishes or welfare of his employees. He issued an official declaration that the Ford plant dealt with its workers as individuals only, and that every policy of the business would be bent to keep that true. He loathes all labor unions. His wage boost in 1914 was the work of James Couzens. He closed his plants and left his workers to starve or live on charity when he wanted to change his models; and told Paul Kellogg of the "Survey" that the experience would do the workers good. And the speedups of the Ford shops are notorious.

Ford is capable of closing his plants indefinitely, even of dismantling them, rather than submit to what he would call "union dictation." Whether he will take that course or not, no one knows; least of all Henry Ford. But the matter will bear close watching.

Away down in the Democratic-Bible Belt, the chamber of commerce at West Point, Miss., advised the management of the West Point Manufacturing Company that they would not be allowed to sign a union shop contract with the United Garment Workers of America.

## Abuse of Free Press

In his daily column, appearing in various newspapers, Westbrook Pegler makes the following timely comment with reference to the aftermath of the recent fistic altercation in a Florida hotel between a newspaper writer and "Dizzy" Dean, famed pitcher of the St. Louis Cardinals:

"Members of the (newspaper) craft have felt a rise of the clan spirit and there are indications that Dean in particular, and the Cardinals in general, will be victims of a journalistic vendetta this summer. Bad as this might be for Dizzy and the Cardinals, it would be even worse for journalism, because it would indicate to the public that newspaper people are not above using their position and the privilege of a free press to flog an enemy in print for private reasons. Although there are members of the trade who do not know as much, this sort of thing is indecent and harmful to the newspaper business, for it is closely akin to intimidation and a first cousin to blackmail.

"There has been much of this persecution in recent years, not particularly on the sport side, but flagrantly in the coverage of the amusement trades. It comes of the introduction into newspaper work of men and women without the slightest conception of newspaper ethics and responsibility who are given a daily column of space and carte blanche to destroy or praise, according to their own god-like whims."

It is really a strange thing that there should not be room enough in the world for men to live without cutting one another's throats.—George Washington.

The many friends and associates of Timothy A. Reardon in the labor movement of San Francisco and the state will sorrow with him in the tragic death of his son.

Henry Ford says a union "never got anyone anything and never will." Henry may change his mind after he has signed an agreement arrived at after collective bargaining with his employees.

The San Diego Chamber of Commerce is on record as indorsing the Santa Fe's proposal to operate co-ordinated rail and bus service over California's highways. The action was taken at a meeting of the board of directors.

In his annual report of the New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, Bailey B. Burritt, general director of that association, calls for a doubling of our present production of goods and services, which he contends is necessary to furnish decent living standards for the entire population. He cited studies by the Brookings Institution showing that if the lowest standards set by the Department of Labor were to be brought to all the families in this country, the total production of 1929 would have to be stepped up at least 75 per cent. He noted that the sixty billion dollars estimated national income in 1936 is less than \$500 per person.

## COMPENSATION BILL APPROVED

Approval of the Wyoming unemployment compensation law by the Social Security Board brought the number of states under unemployment provisions of the Social Security Act to thirty-seven and the District of Columbia.

## CREATES PEACE TYPE FACE

Frederick William Goudy, type master of modern times, who has designed more than one hundred type faces, is going to dedicate his next new type face to the cause of peace. It is to be called "Goudy Pax." Goudy was recently awarded the medal for outstanding achievement by an American of Ulster Irish descent by Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.



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THE MODOC ATTACK THE  
PEACE COMMISSIONERS.

GENERAL CANBY SHOT DEAD  
BY CAPTAIN JACK.

Dr. Thomas Shot Dead and  
Commissioner Meacham  
Mortally Wounded.

Riddle Fired Upon But

## WASHINGTON.

THE INAUGURATION. THE

Washington Full of People.  
The Military and Civic Procession.

IMPOSING CEREMONIES.

A Frost-bitten but Jolly Crowd.

The Day and the Crowd.

WASHINGTON, March 4th.  
The morning is very clear but is bitter cold. Many  
thousands, on their way from the streets remove  
from the route of the inaugural procession, found it

## THE PACIFIC TELEGRAPH CABLE

Experimental Sounding  
Operations of the  
Steamer "Tuscarora."

The United States steamer Tuscarora,  
which has been detailed to make the sur-  
veys and soundings preliminary to laying  
the telegraph cable from this coast to  
Japan and the Asiatic continent, started  
on an experimental trip on the 12th in-  
stant, for the purpose of testing different  
apparatus for taking ocean soundings. The  
result was the adoption of the machinery  
invented by Lieutenant Brooks, with a  
recent improvement by Captain Belknap.  
The first as the most perfect and practical. The first

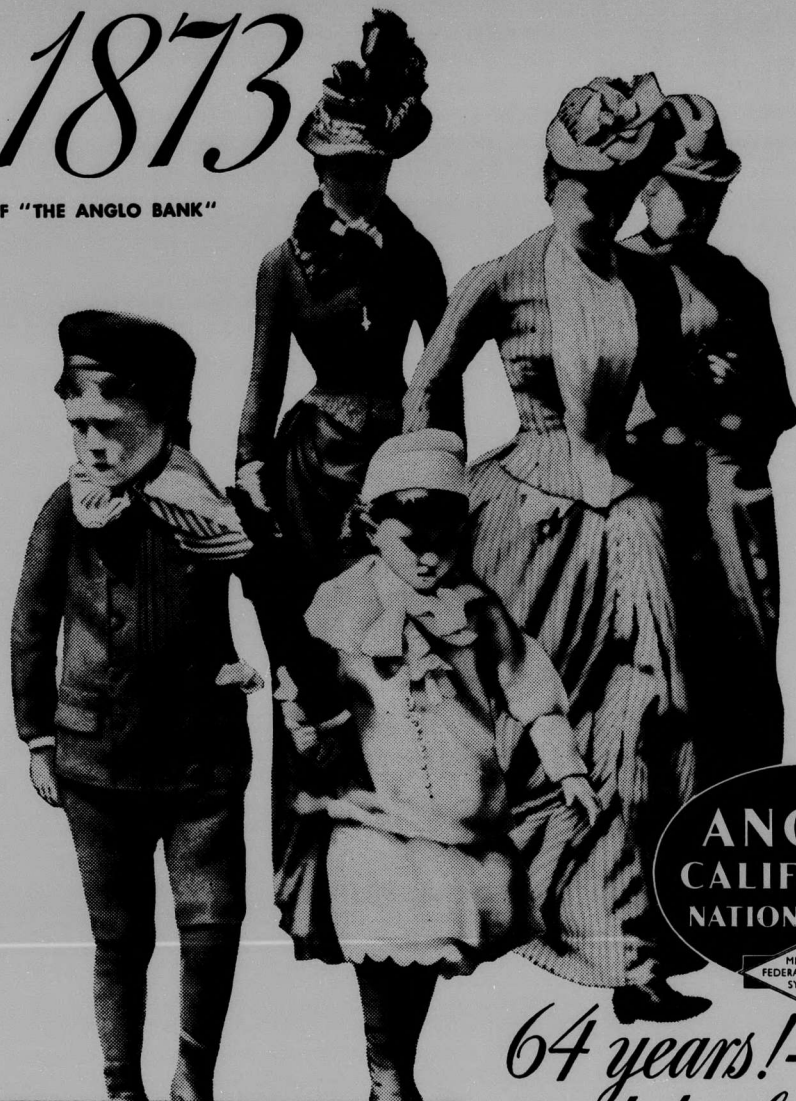
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## EPIZOOTIC.

The Disease has Become General.  
Very Few Fatal Cases.

Fire Engines to be Drawn by Hand—On-  
teams and Chinamen Proceeded into  
Service—Sabbath Stillness in  
the Streets.

Probably three-fourths of all the horses  
in the city are more or less affected by the  
epidemic. Freights are accumulating in  
warehouses, and the delivery of goods at  
the wharves and depots is very much im-  
peded. The streets have a deserted look;  
people throng the sidewalks, but vehicles  
and cars are scarce. As yet no adequate sub-  
stitute has been found for the horse. Oxen  
are not plenty, not swift of foot, and not  
easily managed except by one accustomed  
to their use. Hand carts are in demand, and  
sometimes an express wagon is seen pro-  
pelled by man-power. Yesterday 140 tons  
of wheat were delivered at the Golden Gate  
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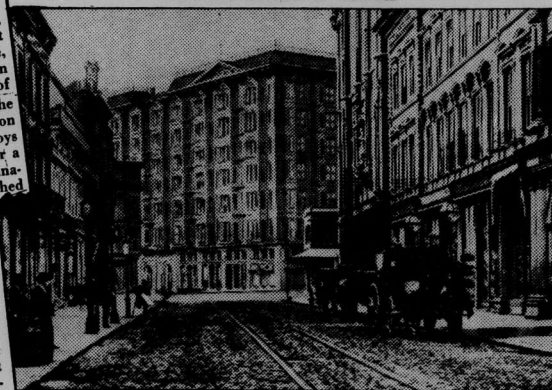
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## Claims for Damages In Sit-Down Strikes

An effort on the part of Michigan automobile manufacturers to recover damages from insurance companies for losses said to have been incurred in "sit-down" strikes under the riot and civil commotion clauses of their policies is reported from Hartford, Conn., which is the location of the head offices of many casualty and surety companies.

The president of one of the largest casualty firms said that while the insurance industry had not as yet definitely decided whether to rule the claims valid and pay out on them, he felt that the companies would eventually make payment. "Our legal department is still considering the matter," he said, "but our firm will eventually make payment on these claims."

"Of course, when we do make payment we will retain subrogation rights and proceed to sue the State of Michigan and municipalities involved for failure to provide sufficient police protection."

That the insurance companies will have a precedent for suing the state and municipalities is seen in a recent decision of the Appellate Court of New York. The court reversed the decision of a lower court and ordered award of damages to the Glens Falls Insurance Company of Glens Falls, N. Y.

## Hospital and Institutional Help To Be on Civil Service Basis

The first step toward bringing 500 institutional help workers of the San Francisco City and County hospitals into civil service to meet requirements of the amendment adopted at the recent election was taken last week.

Thomas Toomey, executive secretary for Chief Administrator Cleary, entered requisitions to the

Civil Service Commission, on behalf of the Health Department, for the workers.

The group has been brought into civil service on a temporary basis.

Harry Alberts of the Civil Service Commission has started the task of classifying the entire group that is composed of non-civil service workers varying from cooks and scullery workers to chambermaids.

A strict classification of the varied types of workers now loosely grouped under the classification of institutional help might possibly defeat the original purpose of the charter amendment, City Hall observers point out, through the opening of the positions to persons already on other classified lists.

Union representatives have already written the Civil Service Commission pointing out that there are over forty men who should come within the classification as cooks, pastry workers and pantrymen and as such receive from \$5 a day up, instead of the present institutional help scale of \$80 a month.

When the classification survey is completed the entire group of 500 will have to take examinations, the Civil Service Commission states.

## Presidential Approval Of Textile Conference

Addressing 200 delegates to the World Textile Conference in Washington last week, President Roosevelt assured them that in seeking a universal forty-hour week they are proceeding in the direction of better social conditions.

"The millenium will not come next year nor in the next twenty years," he said, "but you are proceeding along proper lines."

The President's remarks were made when he and Mrs. Roosevelt received the delegates at an informal White House tea. Agents of twenty-seven governments and of employers and workers from twenty-five countries are attending the conference, under auspices of the International Labor Office.

The chief executive said he believed the conference already was a success. Progress in the world depends upon getting to know each other, he said.

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## Casey Takes Charge Of Oakland Teamsters

The jurisdictional dispute between the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and the International Longshoremen's Association, which has been a matter of deep concern in local labor circles for some time past, reached the crisis stage this week when Joseph Casey, organizer for the Teamsters' International, took charge of the affairs of Teamsters' Union No 70 of Oakland under orders from Daniel Tobin, International president.

This new turn in the conflict between teamsters and longshoremen, fighting for control of warehousemen up and down the Coast, followed a meeting of the Oakland teamsters last Friday night, in which they voted overwhelmingly not to go through warehousemen's picket lines as ordered.

A statement issued by Charles H. Real, secretary of Local No. 70, following a meeting of local teamsters' officials in San Francisco, was as follows:

"Because of the failure of the officers of the Teamsters' Union Local 70 to carry out instructions of Daniel J. Tobin, international president, Joseph Casey has been named receiver to conduct the affairs of the executive offices of the local, to appoint his assistants and carry out contracts with employers."

Casey at once took charge as receiver and ousted Real, Cliff Lester, president; John Carvalho, vice-president; Al Applebaum, Pete Marshall and William Lewis, trustees, and William Nicholas, recording secretary. Casey named Real secretary-treasurer pro tem.

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Final plans for the 1937 observance in San Francisco of Public Schools Week, April 26 to April 30, were discussed at a meeting of the executive committee under the chairmanship of James Leo Halley. Inspection of the program revealed prominent friends of education are represented on eighteen presentations to be given during evening hours Monday through Friday during the week.

## SPEAKER AT BRIDGE OPENING

Francis V. Keesling, eminent San Francisco attorney, has been designated by the directors of the Golden Gate Bridge and Highway District as the speaker of the day at the formal opening of the Golden Gate Bridge on May 28. Keesling, a former director of the district, was chairman of its building committee which supervised the construction plans for the bridge. He retired as a director last December. He is one of San Francisco's most prominent citizens and has been a leader in the development and progress of the city and all California for many years.

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## Second Conference of Women's Auxiliaries

The American Federation of Women's Auxiliaries of Labor will hold its second conference on April 23 and 24 at the Hamilton Hotel in Washington, D. C., I. M. Ornburn, secretary-treasurer of the Union Label Trades Department, American Federation of Labor, announces.

At this meeting the constitution of the Federation will be approved and a more permanent organization will be launched. The A. F. W. A. L. conferences have been held under the auspices of the Union Label Trades Department with the approval of the American Federation of Labor. Only the recognized women's auxiliaries of the national and international labor unions will be represented. The Federation includes the women's auxiliaries of the railway labor unions.

"There is a great necessity of organizing the two million members of the women's auxiliaries of the national and international labor unions, as well as those auxiliaries affiliated with the railway labor unions, into one federation," says Ornburn. "The members of these various organizations have a potential purchasing power of two billion dollars annually. If this vast sum were spent for only union label goods and union services it could be made a most important factor in bringing about higher wages, shorter hours and better conditions for all workers in America."

### MOONEY-BILLINGS BENEFIT BALL

On Saturday, April 24, at Dreamland Rink, there is to be held a benefit ball and entertainment, with huge floor show and outstanding artists of the stage and screen, the proceeds of which are to be used to finance the Mooney-Billings appeal to the United States Supreme Court. Tickets are 50 cents each. The affair is to be under the auspices of the Bay Area A. F. of L. Committee for the Freedom of Mooney and Billings.

### REFUSE TO PAY TRIBUTE

The Deep Sea and Purse Seine Fishermen's Union at San Pedro has issued orders that no union member may serve aboard a fishing boat without a guarantee that he will not be forced to contribute to the \$3.50 per ton fee paid Lindley Potts, liaison employee of the Fishermen's Cooperative Association. Potts collects the fee for handling Mexican legal matters and obtaining Mexican government fishing rights for Los Angeles and San Diego-owned vessels.

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### UNFAIR CLOTHING MANUFACTURERS

The campaign against the unfair Curlee Clothing Company of St. Louis has reached the stage where the union-hating concern's business is diminishing at a ratio indicating that it is poor policy to be heralded as the leading arch-enemy of trade unionism. The battle against the unfair Curlee Company is on in full force and will be continued as determined as ever, says G. A. Hoehn, secretary of the C. C. C. committee of St. Louis. There are some clothing merchants, he says, not yet acquainted with the fact that for thirty long years the Curlee Clothing Company has been fighting union labor, being an arch-enemy of the union movement.

### Canadian General Motors Plants Refuse to Recognize Recent Pact

The United Automobile Workers of America called a strike in all Canadian plants of General Motors at Oshawa, Ontario. The Canadian company had refused to accept the settlement reached with the parent company in the United States. About 3700 of the less than 5000 workers in the Canadian plants went out at once, under strict orders to "avoid violence in any form."

The men demanded a forty-hour week, time and a half for overtime, and union recognition.

## Sailor and Countess

A stalwart young man and a modishly dressed woman boarded a United Air Lines plane in Seattle yesterday for San Francisco, says the "Chronicle" of Sunday last.

They took seats opposite each other, and about the time they crossed the Columbia River something was said about strikes. The woman passenger said:

"If we had labor leaders in Europe like those on the Pacific Coast we'd know what to do with them."

"That strike on the Coast completely ruined my plans for a trip around the world."

One word led to another. The young man grinned and said he himself was active in labor circles on the Coast. More words were exchanged.

In San Francisco, Margaret Ledtowitz learned she had been talking to Harry Lundeborg, sailor leader, and Lundeborg learned his companion whose economic philosophy is so different from his was the Viennese countess.



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## Federal Intervention In Rail Controversy

Approval of the proposed strike of the members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Brotherhood of Enginemen and Firemen employed on the Southern Pacific system has been received from the head officers of the organizations.

A general strike committee of twenty-five met during the week at the firemen's office and prepared a list of directions to send up and down the Coast to call the men from their jobs.

A delay of strike action for thirty-five to sixty days is possible, however.

Dr. William M. Leiserson, here in the role of a lecturer, stepped in as a mediator and during the week has conferred with the carriers and officers of four unions in an attempt to settle the dispute. He also met with A. J. McDonald, president of Southern Pacific.

Dr. Leiserson has concluded his inquiry of the coastwise railway dispute and forwarded his report to the National Mediation Board in Washington. The report included a recommendation by Dr. Leiserson, chairman of the board, for federal intervention, it was reliably reported.

Under the railway labor act the President takes the initiative of establishing a federal emergency board, but usually on the recommendation of a mediator when all other efforts to settle a dispute have been exhausted.

### FRIENDS HONOR LABOR LEADER

Patrick M. Draper, president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, was recently tendered a dinner by friends, the occasion being the fiftieth anniversary of his admission as a member of Ottawa Typographical Union. Draper was secretary-treasurer of the Trades and Labor Congress for thirty years prior to the convention last fall, when he was elected president. He has been an outstanding champion of progressive social legislation and at present is busy in seeking passage of an act freeing workers from fear of losing their jobs and from other forms of coercion on account of union activities.

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## Run o' the Hook

(This department is conducted by the president of San Francisco Typographical Union No. 21)

Typographical Union No. 21 will assemble in regular monthly meeting in Convention Hall, Labor Temple, 2940 Sixteenth street, corner of Capp, at 1 p. m. Sunday, April 18. While there probably will be many reminiscences on what happened in and to San Francisco on this date thirty-one years ago, the main attention of the membership will be centered on the nomination of officers to be elected on the fourth Wednesday of next month for the ensuing term of two years, the report of the scale committee on the progress of the book and job negotiations, the reports of other standing committees and the legislative representatives, all of which is expected to inspire a big meeting. You are advised to come early to insure a chair.

Henry Huntley Taylor, son of the late Dr. Edward Robeson Taylor, former mayor of San Francisco, died early last Sunday at Stanford University Hospital after a brief illness. Mr. Taylor was born in San Francisco, where he, with his brother, Edward De Witt Taylor, was engaged in the printing business for many years. The firm of Taylor & Taylor is internationally famous for the quality and outstanding character of its products, it having received numerous awards and honorable mentions at various graphic arts exhibitions. Mr. Taylor was a graduate of Leland Stanford, Jr., University, which was founded by his grand-uncle, Leland Stanford, and of Harvard Business School. He was a student of the art preservative of arts, and after graduating from Harvard he returned to San Francisco and re-entered the printing business with his brother. Like his distinguished father, he inclined toward literature, and his library at the Bohemian Club, where he lived, was conceded to be one of the most select in the country. Surviving Mr. Taylor, besides his brother, Edward DeWitt, is his niece, Agnes Taylor Galbraith. His funeral, held last Tuesday from Trinity Episcopal Church, was largely attended by representatives of the printing and other business interests of the Bay area.

Gradually they are returning to the fold. Following the announcement that the Crowell Publishing Company of Springfield, Ohio, and the McCall Publishing Company of Dayton, Ohio, had agreed to negotiate with the International Typographical Union and other printing trades unions comes the information that the Meredith Publishing Company of Des Moines, Iowa, which prints "Home

and Garden" and other national magazines which have been on the "We Don't Patronize List" of organized labor, has signed union agreements. After a campaign of twelve years the printers, pressmen and bookbinders have settled their controversy with the Crowell Publishing Company. This done, it should be only a short time until the Allied Printing Trades label appears on its publications, "Women's Home Companion," "Farm and Fireside," "Collier's Weekly" and other periodicals issued in its immense plant. Organizing of the McCall plant will be good news to the women folk, with whom "McCall's Magazine" and "McCall's Patterns" have been favorite publications. The "Saturday Evening Post," "Ladies' Home Journal" and "Country Gentleman," all Curtis publications, would seem to be next.

Do you live in the Richmond district? Numerous union members do. Listen! Some of the markets in that part of the city are using "broad-sides," or price bulletins, that do not bear the union label. It has been learned that at least a portion of this class of printing has been done by a non-union firm. Will you make a demand on your neighborhood market owner or manager that he distribute printed matter with the union label—and patronize only those who comply? Get busy NOW. Perhaps you will hear more at an early date on this subject.

John Campbell, thirty-eight years a member of New York Typographical Union, paid a fraternal visit to local union headquarters last week. Mr. Campbell arrived at this port on the steamship Pennsylvania, on which he had been engaged as ship's printer. He signed off here. While in this vicinity he will enjoy a visit with numerous friends and acquaintances in the printing industry, some of whom he already has had the pleasure of meeting, among them some old-time New Yorkers and a relative living in Oakland, after which he intends to proceed to Oroville, Ore., where he will spend the major portion of the summer with a sister he has not seen for many years. Mr. Campbell conveyed the personal greetings of John ("Jack") Casey to the latter's San Francisco friends. He said "Jack" is employed in the New York office of Standard Statistics, and doing well.

Tacoma newspaper printers have been awarded a pay increase of 50 cents a day by a board of arbitration, which restores the scale to that which prevailed before the depression. The award has been accepted by both sides—for the present.

The book and job scale recently adopted by Chicago Typographical Union has been indorsed by the executive council of the International Typographical Union. The scale is for two years, and proposes an increase of \$3 for day work, \$1 for first and second night shifts, bringing the wages to \$52 for day work and \$57 for night work. Machinists and operators on the various types of machines receive \$1.40 above the weekly rates proposed for hand and floormen. The day and first night shifts consist of eight hours, the second

night shift of seven. A further increase of \$2 per week for day work and \$1 per week for night work will become effective at the beginning of the second year of the contract.

### "Chronicle" Chapel Notes

Lester Reynard decided recently that, as certain historians claim, China was the birthplace of printing, he would like to visit the country. He has left for a trip to China, expecting to visit all points of interest. If he returns a full-fledged Chinese general no one will be surprised. Anyway, he has a grand trip planned.

Thought waves do not travel, as the popular belief has it. Raymond Butcher carried on an experiment in thought waves, the result being nil. Perhaps if Mr. Butcher would use as a subject a person other than a chapel chairman his occult research would be crowned with more success. Tsh, tsh, Raymond.

Postcards and letters from Herbert Lefevre, now in Australia, reveal that he is having a great vacation.

Seems that Roy Nelson has been placed on the mailing list of advertisers in the pulp paper magazines—his mail from that source being heavy, and, says he, "my foot will be heavy against the seat of the pants of the guy or guys responsible." A word of warning.

### Deny Advance at Box Office When Film Unions Given Increased Wage

A 10 per cent increase in wages for 15,000 motion picture industry employees, amounting to \$3,000,000 a year, was approved by officials of the producers and the unions at the film trades annual conference in New York City. The increase becomes effective May 1.

The unions receiving the increase are the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Motion Picture Projectionists, the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the Brotherhood of Teamsters. Officials representing the Screen Actors' Guild and the American Federation of Musicians were at the conference but did not ask for wage increases.

Counsel for the producers denied reports that the wage increase would lead to higher admission prices, stating that such a course would be impractical because half of any such advance would go to the government in taxes.

### Woolworth Stores Sign Agreement With Various Unions in St. Louis

Agreements on wage and hour demands have been signed between managing officers of Woolworth 5-and-10-cent stores in St. Louis and St. Louis County and American Federation of Labor representatives.

About 1500 employees in thirty-three stores are affected by the agreement, effective April 8, which provides increases ranging from 10 to 22 per cent for employees working on merchandise and lunch counters, and a forty-eight-hour, six-day week.

In addition, other unions secured recognition as bargaining agents for their memberships.

## PROGRESSIVE CLUB MEETING

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## Hotel Strike Situation

The following statement on the hotel strike outlook was issued Wednesday afternoon by Walter Cowan, president, and Hugo Ernst, secretary of the Joint Board of Culinary Unions:

"We can definitely state that a strike of hotel workers will not be called until every reasonable attempt to negotiate differences has failed. Although the unions have already gone far more than half way to meet the hotel owners in a settlement of differences we yet maintain a willing and co-operative spirit.

"We have made every possible concession to the hotel owners while they, on the other hand, have stuck with their arbitrary stand throughout all the negotiations. In the face of this uncompromising attitude we will have no choice except to carry out the mandate of our strike vote. If this strike is called the entire blame must be laid on the unyielding stand taken by the large hotel owners.

"Our patience in this matter will have to reach its limit on Friday night, when we will ask the Labor Council to sanction a strike of hotel workers in fifteen San Francisco hotels. We have already been assured of the active support of sixteen unions, including butchers, teamsters, elevator operators, electricians, engineers and laundry workers, who will refuse to pass through our picket lines.

"Even at this last minute we are hopeful that the large hotel owners can be made to realize the tremendous responsibility that they are taking in forcing this strike on the people of San Francisco.

"If we have no other alternative than a strike, we are confident that we can see it through to a speedy finish."

As the Labor Clarion goes to press, announcement was made of a further conference to be held today (Friday) looking toward conciliation in the controversy. Walter Mathewson, federal conciliator, will participate.

## Mailer Notes

By LEROY C. SMITH

The regular monthly meeting of the union will be held at the Labor Temple on Sunday, April 18.

The members of the St. Louis Mailers' Union are among those who have discovered that when M. T. D. U. officers are requested to make an attempt at putting forth efforts to retain and secure work for mailers, said officers simply do nothing about it. But as usual they make flimsy excuses for not doing so. Now that the St. Louis union has demanded action from those officers in this matter the outcome will very likely be awaited with interest by members of other M. T. D. U.

unions. No constructive program was presented to the Colorado Springs convention by M. T. D. U. officers. This convention, controlled as it was by M. T. D. U. officers, rubber-stamped the official program. Was it because delegates dared not oppose the bureaucrats for fear of reprisal? But, like their predecessors and certain other members high in the "royal family" of the M. T. D. U., they talk about everything at conventions except the real issues at stake. The members of the St. Louis union have suffered from much loss of work in the job field by its being moved to unorganized towns like Peoria, Ill., and Buffalo, N. Y.

It is difficult to see where the St. Louis Mailers' Union, or any other union in fact, derives any benefits from paying dues into the treasury of the M. T. D. U., and more especially so since the secretary-treasurer publishes no report of where the money goes that is paid into its treasury. The money the St. Louis union pays as dues to the M. T. D. U. would provide the nucleus toward a fund to place one of their members in the field to do organization work—a better investment than sinking the money in a sinking M. T. D. U. whose officers continue to pose and suppose and when "weighed in the balance" are found wanting, as usual.

A. Steve Nance, president of the Georgia Federation of Labor, was quite prominent in M. T. D. U. affairs a few years ago, and was considered more progressive-minded than others of that organization. He endeavored to break the grip of the New York union on its control of the M. T. D. U. but failed to receive the support he should have been given, and met defeat at the hands of the autocrats and their lieutenants of the New York union. Nance is still active in union affairs, as recently shown by an Associated Press statement that the executive board of the Georgia Federation of Labor refused to remove Nance from the presidency at the demand of William Green because of his activities with the United Textile Workers' organizing committee, a C. I. O. affiliate.

Sympathy is extended President Del Carlo in the recent death of his father, who had attained the ripe age of 80 years.

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## A Tip to Sit-Down Strikers

Most of us know of the life of gypsies of Europe. They have roamed from village to village for hundreds of years. They own no land, but make a living by card reading and their music, which, according to the customs, they rendered at weddings and socials.

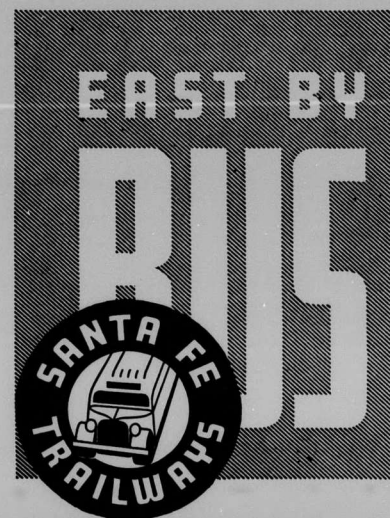
An old gypsy who could no longer follow the tribe gathered four or five kids of her daughters about her and with them visited the villages. She begged for food or things that she could exchange for such.

In those days the country people did not lock their huts. People walked in without knocking.

As the lands of these country people diminished, due to the big land holders, they got so they could not help these beggars very much, there being so many of them.

This old gypsy selected the huts whose residents she thought could feed her. She would sit right down on the bare ground in the middle of the hut with the kids around her. If the people did not feed her voluntarily she would say to them, "You move the hut, as the ground is mine and I am going to stay."—Told by William Truchon of the Henry George Fellowship.

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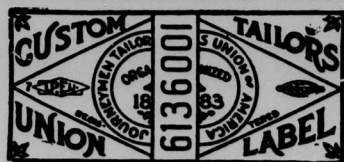
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Labor Council meets every Friday at 8 p. m. at Labor Temple, Sixteenth and Capp streets. Secretary's office and headquarters, Room 205, Labor Temple. The Executive and Arbitration Committees meet every Monday at 7:30 p. m. Label Section meets first and third Wednesdays at 8 p. m. Headquarters phone, MARKET 0056.

### Synopsis of Minutes of Meeting Held Friday Evening, April 9, 1937

Called to order at 8:15 p. m. by President John F. Shelley.

**Roll Call of Officers**—All present.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**—Approved as printed in Labor Clarion.

**Credentials**—Bakery and Confectionery Workers No. 24, David W. Dunham, Charles Erhard and Besie McClintock, additional delegates; Construction and General Laborers No. 261, Dan McHugh vice James Wargo; Hotel and Apartment Clerks and Office Employees No. 283, John Belden and Harry O'Dell; Newspaper Distributors and Circulation Employees, Alfred Hart; Masters, Mates and Pilots No. 40, E. W. Mason vice George M. Fouratt; Refinery Workers No. 50, Virgil Harris, additional delegate.

**Communications**—Filed: Minutes of Building Trades Council. From W. H. McIntyre, assistant secretary to the President, acknowledgment of receipt of resolutions adopted by Council, and promising submission for his attention. Acknowledgment of receipts of various resolutions sent to our senators and congressmen in Washington. Commissioner Frank Bell of Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., and also Congressman Frank R. Havenner, information as to officials watching actions of Japanese fishing vessels operating off Alaskan coast. Congressman Havenner, citing action of administration of the Works Progress Administration on the subject of dismissals from the area statistical offices owing to reduction of personnel in proportion to reduction of volume of work by the offices. Department of Labor, relative to hearings held resulting in the passage of a new act in regard to the continuous discharge book for seamen, making it optional instead of compulsory, and sending copy of act as approved by the President. International Oil Field, Gas Well and Refinery Workers, stating they have removed from the unfair list the Wilshire Oil Company, now signed up.

Referred to Officers: From J. H. Small, director State Relief Administration, referring Council's correspondence on relief matters to Harold E. Pomeroy, administrator of state relief, 785 Market street.

Referred to Council's Legislative Representative: Resolution adopted by Cooks No. 44 and other organizations, some not affiliated, dealing with legislation on sit-down strikes not favored by labor.

Referred to Executive Committee: Wage scales and agreements of Bakery and Confectionery Workers No. 125 and Girls' Auxiliary of Locals Nos. 24, 119 and 125, also Cracker Bakers' Auxiliary No. 125 for Soda and Cookie Packers; wage scale and agreement of Cannery and Preserve Workers No. 20379; Local Joint Executive Board of Culinary Workers, requesting advice and assistance in controversy with hotels; Automobile Mechanics, complaint against Motor Rim and Wheel Service, post and Franklin; Garage Employees, three complaints, laid over one week; Building Trades Council of Alameda County, Mooney Appeal Fund, \$5.

Referred to Organizing Committee: Application for affiliation of United Rubber Workers of America No. 96.

**Resolutions**—By Civil Service Building Maintenance Employees No. 66, relative to proposed amendments to ordinance providing for sick leaves for civil service employees employed by the city and county. On motion, adopted.

Resolution presented by Maritime Federation District Council No. 2, protesting against actions of police in interfering with peaceful picketing conducted by W.P.A. workers; adopted. Officers of

Council reported having presented verbal protests to the Board of Supervisors.

Telegram from President William Green of the American Federation of Labor relative to jurisdiction over warehousemen awarded to the Brotherhood of Teamsters where the warehouses are located inland. Motion made to refer to the executive committee. After debate, motion was made to close debate, and on a standing vote motion declared carried by a vote of 185 ayes to 72 noes, and the resolution referred to the executive committee.

**Report of Executive Committee**—After discussing with representatives of Filling Station Employees and General Petroleum Corporation existing differences between them, committee after consideration of the vital points involved recommended that the officers of the Council propose to the corporation that it acknowledge the terms of the contract indorsed by the Labor Council and co-operate in the administration of the demands for recognition of the union, the hours, wages and working conditions, and that copies of the acknowledgment be sent to each managing operator in the twenty-four stations, and that the union, in view of the nearly equally divided vote, 29 to 24 in favor of a strike, take another vote. On request of Carmen Lucia, organizer of the Millinery Workers, engaged in organizing work of department stores, that a speaker and committee of the Labor Council assist in this organizing work by attending mass meetings and other meetings held for the purpose of bringing department store employees into a practical working organization, committee left the matter in the hands of officers of the Council. Committee gave advice to representatives of the Newspaper Guild in regard to the sending of a letter conforming to the suggestions of the officers of the Council, dealing with subject matter of recent resolution submitted by them. In the matter of wage scale of sewer cleaners and cribbers, who have no comparable scale in private employments, committee recommended that the scale set for the city and county be \$9.50 a day for sewer cleaners and \$1.10 an hour for cribbers. A delegation of P.W.A. Workers requested advice and were informed of what the Council has done in support of their requests for no lay-offs and no reductions, and stated that officers of the Council will appear in their behalf before the Board of Supervisors, and Council will request senators and congressmen to seek additional appropriations for relief from Congress. In the matter of co-operation with the Building Trades Council in regard to participation in the Golden Gate Fiesta, committee recommended that Council's delegates co-operate in making plans with the delegates appointed by the Building Trades Council. In the matter of controversy of Machinists No. 68 with Simmons Bed Company, committee recommends the manager of company and representative of Furniture Workers No. 1541 be cited before the executive committee at next meeting. Report concurred in.

**Reports of Unions**—Machinists No. 68 have signed new agreement and gained material benefits, wages and the forty-hour week. Bakers are negotiating with Latin bakers; the candy makers and confectionery supply people are meeting with much success; ask all to buy locally-made candy as of particular benefit to home industry; Lyons Magnus Company is 100 per cent organized. Delegate Carmen Lucia reported 1800 employees of department stores have joined the union; stated erroneous statement appeared in the "Examiner." Culinary Workers have reached a stalemate in their negotiations with the hotels; have left matter in hands of Local Joint Board, and ask all unions to co-operate. The Hotel and Apartment and Office Clerks have organized as Local No. 283. Ladies' Garment Workers have a sit-down strike in progress at Emeryville. Warehousemen report they will hold up hotel supply house agreements until hotel controversy is cleared up. Longshoremen report the mysterious disappearance of Dispatcher Hogan, member of their union, Alaska Cannery Workers are negotiating with the packers on conditions for the coming season. Newspaper Guild thanks unions for assistance in the controversy with the United Press; they are assisting two new newspaper organizations in the field. Auto Mechanics ask for continued observance of the five-day week by all customers for repairs. Cannery and Preserve Workers are negotiating new agreement; will dance at California Hall May 22. Laundry Workers report Superior Curtain Laundry now entirely fair.

**Report of Organizing Committee**—Recommended granting of affiliation to the Nursery Workers, and are assisting Special Delivery Messengers to obtain a charter; also organizing makers of saddles and equipment, and assisting film winders and film inspectors to obtain a charter. Report concurred in. Committee also recommended granting a charter by the A. F. of L. to Sugar Workers of San Francisco; this latter recommendation was opposed by several unions, and on being put to a vote it was decided to lay the recommendation over and again refer the matter to the committee. Committee also stated they are considering the granting of a charter to Newspaper Salesmen, represented by one Lawrence Corbett.

**New Business**—Moved that the name of the California Packing Corporation be placed on the "We Don't Patronize List." Motion carried.

Moved to remove the name of the Superior Curtain Laundry from the "We Don't Patronize List." Motion carried.

Receipts, \$1041.60; expenditures, \$5360.29.

Council adjourned at 10:45 p. m.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN A. O'CONNELL, Secretary.

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## Longshoremen's Notes

By JOHN SCHOMAKER

The dispatchers report that most gangs for the first two weeks of the thirty-third period have averaged eighty-five hours. The hours for the first three weeks will be 128. On Tuesday the hall was busy, with every gang working and every order filled, with the exception of a few preferred gangs who are being held back. The plugboard was vacant, with only a few permit men plugged in. Everything normal and running smoothly, the dispatchers said. Last week a Japanese delegation, accompanied by Mr. Gregory of the employers, visited the hall and were shown the intricate workings by one of the dispatchers. Evidently the employers must be satisfied with the hiring when they take the time to show a delegation from far-away Japan how the hall operates.

On Monday night, April 19, Local 38-79 will hold its regular meeting in Eagles' Hall, 273 Golden Gate avenue. By Monday night more information concerning the disappearance of Brother Jack Hogan should be available. Other important business will be discussed. The book and gang stewards will assemble in regular meeting Friday night at 27 Clay street.

After fourteen days of search the chief dispatcher, Brother Jack Hogan, is still missing. The board of trustees and officials have interviewed numerous persons in an effort to unravel this mysterious disappearance.

The two police inspectors who were first called in re-entered the case when an anonymous phone call was received advising the I. L. A. to investigate a flat near the corner of Steiner and Eddy streets, where Brother Hogan was seen by witnesses between 10 and 10:20 p. m. Wednesday, March 31. A committee was dispatched to the number and the flat investigated. No new leads were obtained there, however.

The board of trustees and President Henry Schmidt recommended to the local executive board last Wednesday night, a week after the disappearance, that a warrant be sworn out against the missing dispatcher. The executive board discussed and amended the recommendation to the effect that a reward of \$500 be posted instead. The police assigned to the case also advised against issuing a warrant at the present time. As soon as any additional positive information is available it will be made known to the membership. Again the board of trustees and officials wish to assure Brother Jack Hogan's immediate family and friends that they are working night and day to solve his mysterious disappearance.

### WE DON'T PATRONIZE LIST

The concerns listed below are on the "We Don't Patronize List" of the San Francisco Labor Council. Members of Labor Unions and sympathizers are requested to cut this out and post it.

Benatar's Cut Rate Drug Store, 807 Market.  
California Building Maintenance Co., 20 Ninth.  
California Packing Corporation.

Clinton Cafeterias.

Co-Op Manufacturing Company.

Curtis Publishing Co., publishers of "Saturday Evening Post," "Ladies' Home Journal," "Country Gentleman."

Don's Dollar Sedan Service, 925 Larkin.

Drake Cleaners, 249 O'Farrell and 727 Van Ness.

Forreder Cornice Works, 269 Potrero.

Foster's Lunches and Bakeries.

Goldberg, Bowen & Co., grocers, 242 Sutter.

Goldstone Bros., manufacturers overalls and workmen's clothing.

Gordon's Sea Food Grotto, Ferry Building.

J. C. Hunken's Grocery Stores.

Kroehler Furniture Manufacturing Company.

Pacific Label Company, 1150 Folsom.

Pioneer Motor Bearing Company, Eddy and Van Ness.

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## Tim Reardon's Son Killed

Louis V. Reardon, son of Timothy Reardon, state industrial accident commissioner, and a girl identified as Edith Tally were killed early Wednesday last when their automobile smashed into a concrete traffic signal "island" at Fell and Stanyan streets.

Reardon died at Park Emergency Hospital. The girl was dead when the ambulance arrived.

The terrific impact threw both of the victims out of the automobile to the pavement.

### WISCONSIN LABOR ACT

The Wisconsin Senate passed a labor relations bill at the end of a twelve-hour, non-stop session during which sixty amendments regarded as seeking to cripple the purposes of the measure were voted down. The bill would establish a board composed of three persons to investigate and act in labor disputes. Other provisions follow the general outlines of the Wagner federal act. Observers are of the opinion the assembly will concur in the bill without serious changes.

### THE HERSHEY BARBARITY

The remedy against lawlessness is not more lawlessness. It is the enforcement of law. These sit-downers were violating the law and should have been ejected by the sheriff. But they had at least as much right to stay in the factory as the farmers had to break in. And they were staying there peaceably, while the farmers went in riotously to commit assault and battery. The strikers had committed the crime of trespass. The farmers duplicated that crime and added two more. They made a private war of what should have been a public law enforcement.—San Francisco "Chronicle."

### PENINSULA THEATERS NOW FAIR

The controversy with the Peterson Theaters on the Peninsula has been adjusted. Members may now patronize and accept engagements in the Broadway, Burlingame; El Camino, San Bruno, and the State in South San Francisco.—"Musical News."

### Laws Curbing Profits of Industry

#### Said to Be Under Study of Experts

Revision of the anti-trust laws to provide them with teeth as a means of checking undue price rises, excessive profits and purely speculative industrial expansion, is being considered by the administration as part of its program for this session of Congress, according to a news dispatch this week.

It was said that control of monopolistic tendencies is regarded as a corollary of minimum-wage legislation in that wage increases will not be effective as a purchasing-power stimulant if busi-

ness and industry take them as an excuse for unwarranted price increases.

Such "boom-and-collapse" insurance is regarded by some administration leaders as necessary to curb incipient boom tendencies. Such tendencies are intensified by the power possessed by great corporations through wide control and their inclination to boost prices faster than production costs rise.

The dispatch stated that the form of tightening of the anti-trust laws has not been agreed upon, but it is the subject of discussion among administration experts, some of whom are urging prompt action before the situation gets out of hand.

### COURT PENALIZES "SIT-DOWNERS"

Damages of \$8925 were awarded the Aladdin Industries Inc., in the Circuit Court of Madison County, Indiana, against United Automobile Workers, whose "sit-down" had closed a plant for weeks. The court, whose orders to evacuate the plant had been defied, assessed \$5000 "jointly and severally" against the strikers as a whole. Remainder of the damages was apportioned among individual union leaders.

### Assembly Committee Approves

#### Free Books for Private Schools

Approval of a bill by Assemblyman Hornblower to provide free text books for private elementary and secondary schools has been voted by the education committee of the lower house of the California Legislature.

The bill would give the free use of state textbooks to all private school pupils from the first to the eighth grades.

The committee action was in the face of an opinion by the attorney general casting doubt upon constitutionality of the proposed act.

William Adams, representative of the Religious Liberty Association, opposed the bill as the "first step toward the unionization of church and state."

Consideration of a second bill to provide free bus or other transportation for pupils of private schools on an equal basis with the service operated for public school children was postponed temporarily.

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## Maritime Commission

Approval by a Senate commerce sub-committee of five appointees to the Maritime Commission last week cleared the road for their speedy confirmation by the Senate.

Without a dissenting vote the sub-committee recommended confirmation of Joseph P. Kennedy, former Securities Commission chairman, to head the maritime body; Rear Admiral Henry A. Wiley, Admiral Emory S. Land, former chief of naval construction and repair; Thomas M. Woodward of Pennsylvania, and Edward C. Moran, Jr., of Maine.

### MURPHY'S WORK PRAISED

A very large part of the credit for the settlement of the Chrysler automobile strike belongs to Governor Frank Murphy, and this is freely acknowledged by Walter P. Chrysler, who said: "I wish to express my appreciation to the governor for his good offices. He has been tireless, patient and resourceful in his efforts to reconcile different points of view, and I have no hesitancy in saying that he has done a great job. I have enjoyed meeting Mr. Lewis. He contributed a great deal to the successful outcome of these negotiations."

### MORRELL COMPANY NOW FAIR

A letter from Dennis Lane, secretary of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, to the Los Angeles Central Labor Council is in part as follows: "We are happy to announce that a very satisfactory adjustment of the long-standing controversy between the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America and the John Morrell Company, meat packers, has been made. The grievance that caused our membership to strike in July of 1935 has been fully adjusted, as well as other differences of minor nature that developed during the course of the strike." The principal plant of the firm is located at Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

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## Store Employees' Union

By CARMEN LUCIA

A most inspiring and enthusiastic meeting was held on Wednesday, April 7, at the Scottish Rite Auditorium by the Retail Department Store Employees' Union, Local No. 1100. One thousand eight hundred members were initiated and obligated by the international president, W. J. Desepte.

Jack Shelley, president of the San Francisco Labor Council, gave an encouraging and inspiring talk congratulating the local on its splendid achievements to date.

Nomination of a wage scale committee of five from each store followed. This committee is to work in conjunction with the Pacific Coast Labor Bureau in drawing up wage scales and other conditions to be incorporated in union agreements.

Lively interest is expressed at each meeting when a report is given weekly as to which store is leading in membership. To date stores leading are as follows: Emporium, Hale's, White House, City of Paris, O'Connor & Moffat, Weinstein's, Gump's, Paul Elder's, Woolworth's, Kress', Newberry's, Penney's, and a number of small women's specialty shops.

On Wednesday, April 14, at the Scottish Rite Auditorium, nominations of local officers and executive board members will be held. Over two thousand members are expected to participate, and a very lively combat is expected.

These "white collar workers" are showing an understanding of the trade union movement that is amazing in view of the fact that the general labor movement thought that these "positioned" workers would not respond to unionization. Their enthusiasm and earnestness have demonstrated that they not only desire organization but are well posted on current labor problems, thus dispelling the illusion that "white collar workers" are immune to unionization.

On April 17 the Retail Department Store Employees' Union will celebrate the success of their campaign by holding a grand ball and social at the Scottish Rite Auditorium.

Labor in San Francisco can do its share by attending this dance, thus showing solidarity to these newly-organized workers in their attempt to better their conditions. Delegates to the Council are particularly invited.

### LOCAL POLICY ON W.P.A.

Following the end of the strike, last week, on W.P.A. projects in the Bay area, William R. Lawson, local administrator, announced that the state administration will recommend that no arbitrary reductions below the present quota for California, outside of Los Angeles, for the months of May and June be made as long as there are eligible State Relief Administration workers capable of working on the W.P.A. program. He further stated that skilled workers will not be forced into the agri-

cultural field, that fitness will be a governing factor and that workers who lost time due to strike conditions would be permitted to make up their lost earning quota.

### LAUNDRY WORKERS MAKE GAINS

Continuing his very energetic and successful campaign for unionization of French laundries in San Francisco, President Lawrence Palacios of the Laundry Workers announces agreements with the Toulouse plant, at 821 Lincoln way, and the Hayes Valley, at 546 Polk street. The former has forty employees and the latter twenty, who now cast their lot with union workers in that industry.

### TAR-AND-FEATHER CASE

A civil lawsuit arising from Santa Rosa's 1935 tar-and-feather incident ended in Sacramento this week with a \$76,000 damage action filed by Solomon Nitzberg against Fred Cairns of Healdsburg stricken from the federal court docket. Judge Harold Louderback ordered it dropped when no one answered for the plaintiff, who was one of three victims of the mob. Nitzberg charged Cairns, Healdsburg Chamber of Commerce secretary, was one of the instigators of the mob incident.

### Bakery and Confectionery Workers In Tentative Pact With Local Firm

Secretary Theodore Lundquist of Bakery and Confectionery Workers' Union No. 24 announces completion of a tentative agreement with Lyon-Magnus, Inc., confectionery supply house, which provides for a union shop and sets a wage scale. The agreement will be submitted to the organization for ratification at a meeting to be held tonight.

It is announced as the first strictly union shop agreement negotiated in this city in that branch of the union's jurisdiction.

## Fur Workers No. 79

By GORDON STEIN, Business Manager

On April 17 the Fur Workers and their friends will enjoy a social gathering and dance at union headquarters, 149 Mason street, on the third floor. The Fur Workers are inviting the friends of organized labor to come and celebrate with them the victory achieved in the last city elections—the repeal of the anti-picketing ordinance.

Through the efforts of Local 79 of San Francisco we have succeeded in organizing a new furriers' local in the City of Seattle. At present we have there a local with a membership of 200. We hope that before the approach of the next season the fur workers of Seattle will enjoy union conditions.

The furriers, not being satisfied with all of their achievements during the past two years, are looking forward to the complete unionization of the Pacific Coast. Only then will the conditions they have achieved up to now be secured.

On April 17 we will all meet at 149 Mason street to celebrate and dance together. A good time is assured everyone. Admission will be free to all union men and women.

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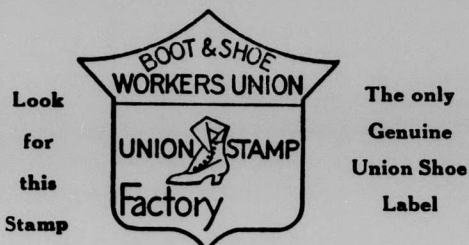


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